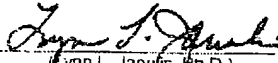


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GROUP ART UNIT 1647
APPLICATION NO. 10/694,579
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Application of: Mehta <i>et al.</i> |) | For: G-CSF Therapy as an Adjunct to |
| Application No: 10/694,579 |) | Reperfusion Therapy in the Treatment of |
| |) | Acute Myocardial Infarction |
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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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This amendment is being filed in response to the final Office Action mailed April 21, 2006 (hereafter, the "Office Action") in the above-captioned matter. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections are respectfully requested in light of the following amendment and remarks. This response is timely filed along with a petition for an extension of time and the appropriate fee.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification: none.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.